

Border's Market Victim of Armed Stick Up Sunday

Two armed bandits held up Border's Market, at 16920 Prairie Ave., Sunday night of \$1645 in currency and made good their escape while a half dozen customers continued their shopping, unaware of the stick-up.

Co-owner Keith Border was slowing down a cash register when the two men came in. One of the bandits picked up a carton of cigarettes, slammed them down on the checking stand and told Border, "I want these and all the money."

He then pulled a revolver from his jacket pocket, tucked it under his belt and told his accomplice to cover him while he scooped up the money from three cash registers. The two took only currency.

The bandits went about their raid quietly, but store clerk Jim Powers observed what was happening. He stationed himself at a window when the two bandits gave the description of their get-away car to police. Other observers, in cars in the adjoining parking lot, also aided police with eye witness accounts.

Steelworker Arrested As Wife Stabbed

Long Beach Police were holding a 32-year-old Torrance steelworker this week on charges that he tried to kill his estranged wife with a hunting knife Monday.

Charles E. Williams, 32, of 125 E. 216th St., went to the Long Beach apartment of his estranged wife, Bette, 28, and started slashing at her with a knife as she opened the door, her roommate, Martha Cronk, 31, said. As she turned to flee, Williams followed her into the kitchen and continued stabbing her, Miss Cronk said.

Mrs. Williams was taken to Seaside Hospital in critical condition with stab wounds in her chest and back, with both lungs pierced, doctors said. Two sailors, Daryl S. Fitzgerald and Daryl D. Anderson, stationed aboard the USS John B. Craig, also were in the apartment at the time of the attack.

Pittsburgh Sales Up

Sales for Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., and consolidated subsidiaries for the first nine months of 1955 were \$428,949,999, an increase of 39 per cent over sales of \$309,278,171 for the same period of 1954.



TO TELL OF TROY... With 1000 SO students taking part, the Diamond Jubilee Anniversary Pageant will tell the "Story of Troy" in the Los Angeles Coliseum tomorrow evening at 8:30. Floats, bands, fireworks, and skits for an expected 20,000 are being planned by Bob Jani, chairman, and Barbara Page, assistant.

650 Children Parade Garb For Halloween at McMaster

Nearly 650 boys and girls paraded in the shadows of a huge bonfire last Monday night at McMaster Park, to celebrate Halloween festivities, co-sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department and the 65th Torrance Civic Assn.

Gallons of apple cider and pop quenched the thirst of the participants who consumed over 1000 cookies. An hour-long all-color cartoon show followed the costume parade.

Greased Pole Winner
The greased pole was a challenge for a score of boys, with Bobby Jay the first to slide his way to the top. Robert Sutton and Kenny McEwen were next to conquer the elusive pole. A dollar was given to each of the winners.

Winners Named
Among the four to seven-year-olds, the winners were as follows:
Most original—Carol Ann Bonnici, Patricia Bonnici, and Debbie Lubahn.

NORTH TORRANCE TATTLER

'Granny' Parrish Honored by Open House on 80th Birthday

By Adaline Cortez
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Mrs. Anna Parrish, was surprised by her niece, Mrs. J. E. Bramlett, of 18301 Patronella Ave., who invited 68 guests to an open house celebration on "the popular Mrs. Parrish's 80th birthday."

She is endearingly known as "Granny" by young and old alike and looked charming as she boomerily wore her first orchid.

The box social held to raise funds for Scout Troop 761 was a complete success. The "boxes" were decorated almost ingeniously. They ranged from lifelike pygmy witches, withnoe cauldrons, to nail legs and wastebaskets.

Square dancing called by Bob Richter provided the entertainment. The event was an overwhelming financial success.

Three boys celebrated their birthdays last week. Michael Towell, of 17512 Ermanita Ave., entertained at a football party on his 10th birthday.

Refreshments after a strenuous game of football were hot dogs, punch, ice cream and a beautifully decorated cake in the shape of a football.

Present were Donald and Sandy Bramlett, Jerry rosley, Billy Cunnery, Eric Cortez, George Beckham, Ronnie Gastelum, David Bruce, Jan Osnes, Glen Terry, Jimmy Jensen, Carey Hubert, Judy Towell and Judy Bruce.

Michael Buck, of 17115 Falda Ave., celebrated his ninth birthday with a party in the nautical theme. Invitations went out to friends in the shape of a steamship, and a boat centered the table which was an ocean blue. The cake was a sailboat shape as were the nautical.

Enjoying the artistic decorations were Steven Holl, Larry Henderson, Tommy Hibbard, Ricky Hale, Danny Gordon, and George Beckham.

Stephen Staley, son of the Raymond Staley's 18313 Patronella Ave., was guest of honor at a Circus party to celebrate his fifth birthday. Red and blue were carried out in decorations and twelve guests played musical chairs, and pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey, and blew bubbles.

They were Sharon Staley, Michael Wegnes, Jimmy Tesch, Christine Bradley, Susan Bramlett, Christine Pickett, Jack Pickett, and Jimmy and Sandra Bramlett, Danny McGady, and Peggy Rood.

Stephen is now the proud owner of a swing and gymset. At the Frank Masters, 17813 Florwood Ave., and Stanley Bonds, of 17809 Florwood Ave., the families report that they are stuffed.

Seems that both families meet for cake and ice cream to celebrate the eighth birthdays occurring in the two families between Oct. 9 and Nov. 12th.

Jerry Bronson, of 17229 Atkinson Ave., was showered by her canasta club with jewelry. Popular Jerry and Walf have sold their home and will move to Ontario, before Christmas.

Present were Eleanor Black, Juanita Alford, Betty Johnson, Emma Fagnano, Avis Hoffman, Ruth Schultz, and Joyce Schindler.

Another North Torrance family moving away are the G. D. Gilbertson's of 2719 W. 176th St., who have moved into a 3-bedroom home in Fullerton.

Neighbors of Jane Langendorfer, 3812 W. 181st St., are happy to see her out working in her yard again after a bout with polio last August.

Robert Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kelly, of 17220 Delia Ave. is home recuperating from a bad case of aluminum poisoning.

Another boy with a birthday, Billy Johnson, 16620 Glenburn Ave., celebrated his tenth birthday at a theater party with Michael Brooks, Norman Wagner, Eric Cortez, Carey Hubert and Jimmy Jensen.

Mikey Van De Vort, 2604 W. 175th St., is recuperating from a virus pneumonia.

The Rahmeyers who were hoping their bad luck did not come in threes found it did! Four-year-old Jerry's slight case of pneumonia developed into pleurisy.

Jill Kathleen was born to the Peter Bruce's of 2728 W. 174th St., at Torrance Memorial Hospital on Friday.

She weighed 6 lbs., 6 oz. and is already the darling of Judy, David, and Peggy Bruce.

Brownie Troop 205 held its investiture ceremony at the home of Mrs. Ben White. Forty-eight Brownies and their families were served refreshments in the Halloween theme.

Brownie Leader is Pat Stamm, o-leader is Julie Jones. Mrs. Pete Donovan and Delbert Alford held a hard times party for employees at the Verburg Rumpus Room which was decorated in an eerie manner.

Cats, ghosts and a head once belonging to an unlucky pirate decorated the room. The table

was covered in gunny sacks and a large pop-eyed jack-o-lantern centered it. Baked beans and hot dogs were served in tin cans and the guests made their entrance via a slide.

Some really "hard up" costumes were worn by Boots Melton, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Terry and the Dave Wilkins. Invitations had been sent out written on a paper bag.

Rhea and Paul De Lange, of 2704 W. 175th St., returned from a week end hunting trip to Bridgeport, minus a deer but with invaluable experience as woodchoppers.

The N. R. Bruffys, of 2711 W. 176th St., and the William Wilsons, of 2835 W. 176th St., made up a theater party at the Carthay Circle for a performance of "The Desperate Hours."

Corise Avenue and Ermanita Ave. (from 175th to 178th Sts.) were gay with kids in Halloween costumes who decorated

home 17512 Cerise Ave., for refreshments. Winners from North Torrance at the St. Andrews' Play-ground dance of the Circle N Square Dancers, Halloween costume party included Helen Taylor who won as a Balinese woman, and H. Cortez who was Davy Crockett.

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